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For: **ELECTRON DIFFRACTION SYSTEM FOR USE IN PRODUCTION  
ENVIRONMENT AND FOR HIGH PRESSURE DEPOSITION TECHNIQUES****AMENDMENT**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, the time for responding thereto being extended in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.